

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Original): A substrate whose surface comprises at least one hyperbranched polymer which has urethane groups and/or urea groups.

Claim 2 (Original): A substrate as claimed in claim 1 in the form of a particulate, linear, sheet-like, or three-dimensional structure.

Claim 3 (Original): A substrate as claimed in claim 2 in the form of a linear or sheet-like textile.

Claim 4 (Original): A substrate as claimed in claim 3 in which the textile is composed of synthetic fibers.

Claim 5 (Original): A substrate as claimed in claim 2 in which the structure has the form of a plastic film or of a plastic molding.

Claim 6 (Currently Amended): A substrate as claimed in claim 1 ~~any of the preceding claims, where~~ wherein the hyperbranched polymer has a degree of branching (DB) of from 10 to 100%.

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): A substrate as claimed in claim 1 ~~any of the preceding claims, where~~ wherein the hyperbranched polymer on the substrate surface is obtained ~~obtainable~~ by polymer-analogous reaction between a hyperbranched polymer which bears

- urethane groups and/or urea groups, and/or other functional groups which are capable of a condensation reaction or addition reaction and at least one compound selected from the group consisting of:

a) compounds which bear at least one functional group complementary to those groups of the hyperbranched polymer which are capable of a condensation reaction or addition reaction, where the compounds also bear at least a hydrophilic group[[],];

b) compounds which bear at least one functional group complementary to those groups of the hyperbranched polymer which are capable of a condensation reaction or addition reaction, where the compounds also bear at least a hydrophobic group[[],];

and mixtures ~~of these~~ thereof.

Claim 8 (Cancel).

Claim 9 (Currently Amended): A process for modifying the surface properties of substrates, comprising applying ~~in which~~ an effective amount of a hyperbranched polymer which bears urethane groups and/or urea groups ~~is applied~~ to the surface of ~~the~~ a substrate.

Claim 10 (Currently Amended): A process for modifying the surface properties of substrates, comprising treating ~~in which the~~ a material of which ~~the~~ a substrate is composed is ~~treated~~ with an effective amount of a hyperbranched polymer which has urethane groups and/or urea groups, ~~and the substrate is produced therefrom.~~